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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE

TOWN OF

DORCHESTER NEW HAMPSHIRE

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TOWN OFFICERS

Selectmen

Brian A. Howe '86 A. John Franz '87 Carol H. Wilson '88

Moderator

(Interim)

Henry L. Melanson

Tax Collector

Delbert G. Pratt

Treasurer

Nella H. Ashley

Town Clerk

Brenda Howe

Deputy Tax Collector

Herbert A. Wilson

Welfare Director

Alice Melanson

Deputy Town Clerk

Glenda Edgecomb

Road Agent

George C. Conkey, Sr.
Jr.

Health Officer

Herbert A. Wilson

Forest Fire Warden

Kenneth L. Hall

Police Chief

Ralph L. Gove

Police Officers

John A. Cote
Kenneth L. Hall

Dog Constable

Ralph L. Gove

Trustees of Trust Funds

Frances E. Merrill '86

Patricia E. Franz '88

Eunice Bourdelais '87

Supervisors of Checklist

Frances Whitehurst '90

Martha Walker '88

Marion Delsart '86

Auditors

Lucille Andrews

Cathy Cote

Library Trustees

Mary Carroll Abell '88

Robert W. Thayer '86

Carol H. Wilson '87

Cemetery Committee

Mary Carroll Abell

Eric Bergstrom

Martha Walker

Planning Board

Kenneth W. Thomas '88 Chairman

Marilyn Pratt '87

Jonathan Conkey '88

Brian Howe '86

Octave Bourdelais '86

TOWN WARRANT
The State of New Hampshire

To the inhabitants of the Town of Dorchester in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Dorchester on Tuesday the 11th day of March, 1986, polls to be open for voting on article 1 at 1:00 o'clock in the afternoon and to close not earlier than 6:00 o'clock in the afternoon, with action on the remaining articles to be taken commencing at 7:30 in the evening.

1. To choose by nonpartisan ballot all necessary Town officers for the ensuing year.

2. To see if the Town will vote to oppose the burial, storage, and transportation of high level radioactive waste in the Town of Dorchester and State of New Hampshire. (Article by petition.)

3. To see if the Town will call upon Congress to conduct an independent investigation with full public participation into the feasibility and prudence of the U.S. Department of Energy,s (D.O.E.) present plan to dispose of radioactive waste. (Article by petition.)

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes.

5. To see if the Town will vote to change the purpose of the Capital Reserve Fund for the Replacement of Snow Removal Equipment to a Capital Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Highway Maintenance Equipment. (Requires paper ballots, 2/3 affirmative to pass.)

6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) to be used for the paving and/or sealing of suitable portions of town roads and to authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) for the purchase of forest fire fighting equipment and to authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

8. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of one thousand four hundred ninety-six dollars (\$1496.00) for the purchase of a radar traffic speed monitor, contingent upon receiving a seven hundred forty-eight dollar (\$748.00) grant from the New Hampshire Highway Safety Agency or any other State or Federal Agency and to authorize the withdrawal of seven hundred forty-eight dollars (\$748.00) of the amount required for this purpose from the Federal Revenue Sharing Fund.

9. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate three thousand four hundred sixty-nine dollars (\$3469.00) for the purchase of a model RB York Rake with scraper blade and to authorize the withdrawal of the amount required for this purpose from the Capital Reserve Fund for the Purchase of Highway Maintenance Equipment

10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty-two dollars (\$122.00) to fund the 1986 District Assessment fee for Dorchester to be used as the Dorchester share of the 1986 Pemi-Baker Solid Waste District cost in conformance with N.H. RSA 149-M.

11. To see if the Town will vote to approve changes to Town Officer's salaries according to the following schedule:

Selectmen	\$1,500	\$4,500
Treasurer	\$1,600	\$1,600
Town Clerk	\$ 500	\$ 500
Assistant Clerk	\$ 60	\$ 60
Tax Collector	\$1,500	\$1,500
Assistant Collector	\$ 60	\$ 60
Auditor	\$ 50	\$ 100
Welfare Agent	\$ 100	\$ 100
Trustees of Trust		
Funds-Chairman/Sec.	\$ 100	\$ 100
Other Trustees	\$ 25	\$ 50
		<u>\$8,570</u>

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of one hundred twenty thousand five hundred forty-six dollars and sixty-nine cents (\$120,546.69) to defray town charges. (This amount includes the amounts raised in articles 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10.)

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to administer, lease, rent, sell and convey, or otherwise dispose of any real estate or mineral rights acquired by the Town by any Tax Collector's deed. And in the event of a sale, any such sale shall be conducted by advertised sealed bids, negotiated private sale, public auction, or in any other manner which the Selectmen shall deem to be in the best interest of the Town.

14. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to make application for, to accept on behalf of the Town, and to expend for the purpose intended, any and all grants or other funds which may now or hereafter be forthcoming from the United States Government, from the State of New Hampshire, or from private foundations, trust or individuals.

15. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following regulation: Relative to New Construction.

Section 1. Purpose. The purpose of this regulation is to ensure compliance with existing Federal, State and local statutes, ordinances and regulations, and thereby promote safety in fire and emergency situations, protect the quality of our natural resources and protect the taxpayers from possible catastrophic expense as the result of unregulated building.

Section 2. Permit Required. No person, firm, corporation or other legal entity shall construct or place on any lot a new building, mobile home, or any other structure, or increase the size of any existing structure without first obtaining a building permit from the Permit Officer.

Section 3. Issuance. The Chairman of the Board of Selectmen shall be the Permit Officer and shall issue a building permit to any applicant only after all other applicable Federal, State and local permits, and class VI and private road releases, have been properly recorded and submitted to the Permit Officer.

Section 4. Fees. There shall be no fee for said building permit.

Section 5. Appeal. Any applicant aggrieved by the decision of the Permit Officer may appeal said decision by notifying the board of selectmen in writing. The Board of Selectmen shall within fifteen days schedule an appeal hearing before the Building Permit Board of Appeals. The Board of Appeals shall be made up of one selectman, other than the Chairman, The Chairman of the Planning Board, and the Health Officer. If one or more of the above named officers is unable to serve for any scheduled appeal hearing the Board of Selectman shall designate an alternate.

Section 6. Penalty. Any person, firm, corporation or other legal entity who constructs or places on any lot a new building, mobile home or any other structure or increases the size of any existing structure without first obtaining a building permit shall be guilty of an offense punishable by a fine not to exceed fifty dollars (\$50.00). Each day of non-compliance shall constitute a separate violation.

16. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following regulation:
Class VI and Private Road Release.

Section 1. Purpose. To promote safety in fire and emergency situations and to protect the taxpayers of the Town from the catastrophic expense incurred when a town is required to maintain Class VI highways or to accept and maintain a private road because construction of a structure was allowed without protection of a Class VI or private road release. (This regulation adopts the provisions of RSA 674:41 as a Town ordinance and extends all of the same requirements and protections to private roads.)

Section 2. Release required. No person, firm, corporation, or other legal entity shall place or construct any new building or mobile home or any other structure nor shall any building permit be granted for the construction or placement of any new building, mobile home or any other structure, upon any lot to which there exists no direct access from a Class II thru V public road unless:

(a) The Board of Selectmen after review and comment by the Planning Board has voted to authorize the issuance of building permits for the erection of buildings on said Class VI or private road or a portion thereof; and

(b) The Town neither assumes responsibility for the maintenance of said Class VI or private road nor liability for any damages resulting from the use thereof; and


(c) Prior to the issuance of a building permit, the applicant shall produce evidence that notice of the limits of municipal responsibility and liability has been recorded in the county registry of deeds.

Section 3. Fees. The applicant shall bear all expenses incurred in the preparation of the Class VI or private road release document by the Town and/or Town Counsel thereof. Said Fees shall be established by the Board of Selectmen at a rate which reflects the actual cost at the time of application and shall be payable to the Town when application is made.

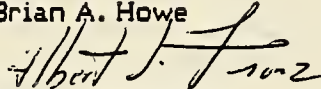
17. To hear the reports of agents, auditors or committees heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

18. To act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

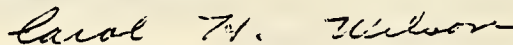
Given under our hands and seals this 23rd day of February, 1986.



Brian A. Howe

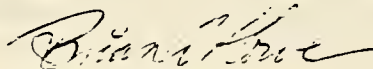


Albert J. Franz

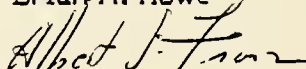


Carol H. Wilson
Selectmen of Dorchester

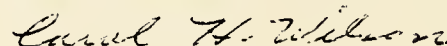
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Brian A. Howe



Albert J. Franz



Carol H. Wilson
Selectmen of Dorchester

**BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF
DORCHESTER, N.H.**

**Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1986 to December 31, 1986**

<u>Purpose of Appropriation (RSA 31:4)</u>	Appropriation 1985	Actual Expenditures 1985	Appropriation Ensuing Year 1986
LOCAL GOVERNMENT:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$5,920.00	\$5,916.74	\$8,570.00
Town Officers' Expenses	\$5,500.00	\$5,331.59	\$4,500.00
Election & Registration Expenses	\$300.00	\$325.05	\$1,100.00
Cemeteries	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$500.00
General Government Buildings	\$300.00	\$174.75	\$1200.00
Planning & Zoning	\$100.00	\$90.84	\$300.00
Reappraisal of Property	\$50.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Legal Expenses	\$800.00	\$475.00	\$800.00
Advertising & Regional Association	\$235.00	\$235.00	\$242.00
Town Reports	\$400.00	\$374.00	\$425.00
NHMA Dues	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$400.00
Town Clerks Fees	\$0.00	\$466.00	\$500.00
Contingency Fund	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
PUBLIC SAFETY:			
Police Department	\$1,500.00	\$1,994.73	\$2,500.00
Police Radar Unit			\$748.00
Fire Department including			
Forest Fire & Training	\$2,700.00	\$2,584.43	\$2,700.00
HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES:			
Town Maintenance	\$31,000.00	\$30,740.23	\$27,000.00
General Highway Dept. Expenses			
(Block Grant)	\$26,371.80	\$19,839.51	\$21,429.59
Lease Payment - Loader		\$2,809.65	\$11,238.60
SANITATION:			
Solid Waste Disposal	\$4,500.00	\$4,924.98	\$6,200.00
Solid Waste Planning	\$125.00	\$0.00	\$122.00
HEALTH:			
Fast Squad	\$450.00	\$450.00	\$975.00
Mascoma Area Home Health Services	\$595.00	\$595.00	\$702.50
WELFARE:			
General Assistance	\$100.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Aid To Disabled	\$0.00	\$2,395.00	\$0.00

	Appropriation 1985	Actual Expenditures 1985	Appropriation Ensuing Year 1986
CULTURE & RECREATION:			
Library	\$150.00	\$345.00	\$262.00
DEBT SERVICE:			
Int. Exp.-Tax Anticipation Notes	\$1,500.00	\$2,524.65	\$3,000.00
CAPITAL OUTLAYS:			
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve Highway Equipment Fund			\$3,469.00
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve Building Fund	\$1,000.00	\$379.10	\$0.00
Revenue Sharing Withdrawal- Road Sealing/paving	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00
Revenue Sharing Withdrawal- Police Radar Unit	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$748.00
Revenue Sharing Withdrawal Forest Fire Fighting Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$150.00
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:			
Payments To Capital Reserve Funds Snow Removal/Highway Equipment Building	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00	\$1,000.00 \$1,000.00
MISCELLANEOUS:			
Insurance	\$4,800.00	\$6,436.98	\$7,500.00
Unemployment Compensation	\$100.00	\$150.97	\$50.00
UV-LSC Rural Rehabilitation Study (Block Grant)	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,500.00
GC-Senior Citizens Council, Inc.	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$215.00
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$97,296.80	\$99,859.20	\$120,546.69
LESS: Amount Of Estimated Revenues, Exclusive Of Taxes			\$85,637.04
Amount Of Taxes To Be Raised (Exclusive of School & County Taxes)			\$34,909.65

	Estimated Revenue 1984	Actual Revenue 1985	Estimated Revenue 1986
SOURCES OF REVENUE			
TAXES:			
Resident Taxes	\$1,600.00	\$1,380.00	\$1,400.00
Yield Taxes including Yield Tax Deposits	\$20,000.00	\$11,265.57	\$7,000.00
Interest & Penalties on Taxes & Costs	\$2,000.00	\$4,340.40	\$2,000.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES-STATE			
State Revenue Sharing Fund	\$23,000.00	\$22,863.10	\$22,863.10
Highway Block Grant	\$26,371.80	\$26,371.80	\$21,429.59
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	\$544.86	\$544.86	\$469.35
Motor Vehicle Fees from State	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Forest Fire Meeting	\$60.00	\$61.08	\$60.00
Gas Tax Refund	\$550.00	\$0.00	\$500.00
Highway Safety Agency Grant	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$748.00
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES- FEDERAL			
Community Development Block Grant for Rural Rehabilitation Study	\$0.00	\$1,500.00	\$3,500.00
LICENSES & PERMITS:			
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees from Town Clerk	\$10,000.00	\$11,640.75	\$12,000.00
Dog Licenses	\$300.00	\$258.32	\$250.00
Business Licenses, Permits and Filing Fees	\$40.00	\$73.00	\$50.00
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:			
Interest on Deposits	\$3,500.00	\$3,344.10	\$3,000.00
Sale of Town Property	\$0.00	\$62.00	\$0.00
Insurance Refunds	\$0.00	\$320.70	\$0.00
Overpayment of Taxes	\$0.00	\$441.65	\$0.00
Reimb. Legal Fees for Collection of Taxes	\$0.00	\$102.00	\$0.00
Donation, Other Revenues	\$0.00	\$43.19	\$0.00
OTHER FINANCIAL SOURCES			
Capital Reserve Building Fund Withdrawal From	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00
Capital Reserve Fund for Highway Maintenance Equipment	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$3,469.00
Federal Revenue Sharing Fund Withdrawal From	\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00	\$6,898.00
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS	\$94,966.66	\$91,612.52	\$85,637.04

SUMMARY OF INVENTORY OF VALUATION

1. Value of All the Lands:	
\$ 788,471 (a) Assessed Value of Current Use Land @ 84%	
\$1,567,877 (b) Assessed Value of All Other Land	
Total	\$2,356,438
2. Buildings - Excluding items in Lines 3 & 4 below.	\$3,685,391
3. Public Utilities - Electric	\$ 245,829
4. Manufactured Housing Assessed as Real Property RSA 72:7-a (number 26)	168,840
5. Total Valuation Before Exemptions	<hr/> \$6,456,498
6. Exemptions - Elderly (number 6)	<hr/> \$ 30,000
7. Net Valuation on Which Tax Rate is Computed	<hr/> \$6,426,498
8. Valuation of property on which payment in lieu of taxes is to be received.	\$ 111,470

Taxes assessed and Tax Rates

Net Assessed Valuation	\$6,426,498
Taxes Committed to Collector:	
Town Property Taxes Assessed	133,028
Precinct Taxes Assessed	
Total Gross Property Taxes	133,028
Less: Est. War Service Tax Credits	2,250
Net Property Tax Commitment	<hr/> 130,778

Tax Rate \$20.70, Municipal \$1.78, County \$1.82, School \$17.10

CURRENT USE REPORT

Number of property owners in Current Use in 1985	54
Number of acres exempted under Current Use	24,175.70
Total assessed Value of Land in Current Use	\$788,471.00
Amount of Taxes raised by land in Current Use in 1984	\$16,321.35

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES

	Appropriation 1985	Receipts & Reimb.	Total Available	Actual Expenditures 1985	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
GENERAL GOVERNMENT:						
Town Officers' Salaries	\$5,920.00		\$5,920.00	\$5,916.74	\$3.26	
Town Officers' Expenses	\$5,500.00		\$5,500.00	\$5,331.59	\$168.41	
Election & Registration Expenses	\$300.00		\$300.00	\$325.05		\$25.05
Cemeteries	\$400.00		\$400.00	\$400.00		
General Government Buildings	\$300.00		\$300.00	\$174.75	\$125.25	
Planning & Zoning	\$100.00	\$14.19	\$114.19	\$90.84	\$23.35	
Reappraisal of Property	\$50.00		\$50.00	\$0.00	\$50.00	
Legal Expenses	\$800.00	\$102.00	\$902.00	\$475.00	\$427.00	
Advertising & Regional Association	\$235.00		\$235.00	\$235.00		
Town Reports	\$400.00		\$400.00	\$374.00	\$26.00	
NHMA Dues	\$400.00		\$400.00	\$400.00		
Town Clerks Fees		\$466.00	\$466.00	\$466.00		
Contingency Fund				\$0.00		
PUBLIC SAFETY:						
Police Department	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00	\$1,994.73		\$494.73
Fire Department including Forest Fire & Training	\$2,700.00	\$61.08	\$2,761.08	\$2,584.43	\$176.65	
HIGHWAYS, STREETS & BRIDGES:						
Town Maintenance	\$31,000.00		\$31,000.00	\$30,740.23	\$259.77	\$0.00
General Highway Dept. Expenses (Block Grant)	\$26,371.80		\$26,371.80	\$19,839.51	\$6,532.29	
Lease Payment - Loader				\$2,809.65		\$2,809.65
SANITATION:						
Solid Waste Disposal	\$4,500.00		\$4,500.00	\$4,924.98		\$424.98
Solid Waste Planning	\$125.00		\$125.00	\$0.00	\$125.00	
HEALTH:						
Fast Squad	\$450.00		\$450.00	\$450.00		
Mascoma Area Home Health Services	\$595.00		\$595.00	\$595.00		
WELFARE:						
General Assistance	\$100.00		\$100.00		\$100.00	
Aid To Disabled				\$2,395.00		\$2,395.00
CULTURE & RECREATION:						
Library	\$150.00	\$201.00	\$351.00	\$345.00	\$6.00	
DEBT SERVICE:						
Int. Exp.-Tax Anticipation Notes	\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00	\$2,524.65		\$1,024.65

	Appropriation 1985	Receipts & Reimb.	Total Available	Actual Expenditures 1985	Unexpended Balance	Overdraft
CAPITAL OUTLAYS:						
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve						
Building Fund	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	\$379.10	\$620.90	
Revenue Sharing Withdrawal-						
Road Sealing/paving	\$6,000.00		\$6,000.00	\$6,000.00		
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT:						
Payments To Capital Reserve Funds						
Snow Removal	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		
Building	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00		
MISCELLANEOUS:						
Insurance	\$4,800.00	\$320.70	\$5,120.70	\$6,436.98		\$1,316.28
Unemployment Compensation	\$100.00		\$100.00	\$150.97		\$50.97
UV-LSC Rural Rehabilitation Study (Block Grant)				\$1,500.00		\$1,500.00
TOTALS	\$97,296.80	\$1,164.27	\$98,461.77	\$99,859.20	\$8,643.88	\$10,041.31

FINANCIAL REPORT
For the Calendar Year Ended December 31, 1985

ASSETS

CASH:		
All funds in custody of the Treasurer	\$5,043.59	
Revenue Sharing Fund	\$7,436.09	
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Total		\$12,479.68
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:		
Town Building Fund	\$180.58	
Snow Removal & Road Equipment	\$16,197.32	
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Total		\$16,377.90
OTHER BILLS DUE TOWN:		
Lien for Payment of Welfare	\$795.00	
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Total		\$795.00
UNREDEEMED TAXES: (from tax sale on account of)		
Levy of 1984	\$7,183.78	
Levy of 1983	\$2,993.36	
Previous Years	\$247.37	
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Total		\$10,424.51
UNCOLLECTED TAXES:(including all taxes)		
Levy of 1985	\$27,045.58	
Levy of 1984	\$7,162.35	
Previous Years	\$4,574.08	
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Total		\$38,782.01
 TOTAL ASSETS		
		\$78,859.10
FUND BALANCE-DEFICIT-CURRENT (Excess liabilities over assets)		
		\$7,074.24
 GRAND TOTAL		
		<hr/>
		\$85,933.34
 FUND BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1984		
	- \$10,245.69	
FUND BALANCE DECEMBER 31, 1985		
	- \$7,074.24	
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CHANGE IN FINANCIAL CONDITION	+ \$3,171.45	

LIABILITIES

ACCOUNTS OWED BY TOWN:

Bills Outstanding	\$1,157.83
Unexpended Balances of Capital Reserve	
Building Fund Withdrawal-	
Article 6. 1985 Warrant.	\$620.90
Unexpended Revenue Sharing Funds	\$7,436.09
Due to State:	
Dog License Fees Collected-	
Not Remitted	\$130.32
Yield Tax Deposits (Escrow Acc't)	\$570.30
School District Tax Payable	\$59,640.00

Total Accounts Owed By Town	\$69,555.44
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CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS:

Town Building Fund	\$180.58
Snow Removal Fund	\$16,197.32

Total Capital Reserve Funds	\$16,377.90
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TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$85,933.44
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

As of December 31, 1985

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Building	\$ 50,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,300.00
Libraries, Land and Building	15,000.00
Furniture and Equipment	3,000.00
Highway Department Equipment	18,000.00
Fire Department Equipment	600.00
Historical Museum	6,635.00
Total	\$94,535.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

Number of cars	286	\$ 11640.75
Filing fees	9	9.00
Dogs	68	258.32

Total remitted to Treasurer		<u> </u>	\$11,908.07
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Respectfully submitted,
Brenda Howe
Town Clerk

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

Cash on Hand, Jan. 1, 1985	\$ 29,954.97
From Tax Collector	149,534.76
From Town Clerk	11,908.07
From Selectmen	<u>114,032.13</u>

Total Receipts	\$305,429.93
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Payments

By Order of Selectmen	<u>300,386.34</u>
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Cash on Hand, Dec. 31, 1985	\$5,043.59*
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Pemi National Bank- NOW A/C	\$ 1,535.23
PGSB- Money Market A/C	<u>3,508.36</u>
	\$ 5,043.59*

Revenue Sharing Fund

Balance on Hand, Jan. 1, 1985	7,685.52
Received, 1985	5,171.00
Interest, 1985	<u>579.57</u>
	13,436.09
Payments, 1985	<u>6,000.00</u>

Balance on Hand, Dec. 31, 1985	7,436.09
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Respectfully submitted,
Nella H. Ashley
Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT
Fiscal year Ended December 31, 1985

	DR.	Levies of:	
	1985	1984	Prior
Uncollected Taxes			
Beginning of Fiscal Year	1985		
Property Taxes		\$20,010.51	\$9,568.99
Resident Taxes		390.00	230.00
Yield Taxes		556.00	1,399.33
Inventory Penalties		--	194.39
Taxes Committed to Collector			
Property Taxes	\$130,797.25		
Resident Taxes	1,750.00		
Yield Taxes	10,161.37		
Inventory Penalties	0.00		
Added Taxes:			
Resident Taxes	30.00	10.00	
Costs & Interest Collected on			
Delinquent Property Taxes:	126.32	906.23	2,880.40
Overpayments:			
a/c Property Taxes			441.65
Penalties Collected on			
Resident Taxes:	3.00	18.00	1.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$142,867.94	\$21,890.74	\$14,715.76

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Remittances to Treasurer			
During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$105,248.50_*	\$13,624.16	\$6,889.89
Residence Taxes	1,190.00	180.00	10.00
Yield Taxes	9,154.54		**_355.73
Costs & Interest Collected			
During Year	126.32	906.23	2,918.66
Penalties in Resident Taxes	3.00	18.00	1.00

Uncollected Taxes-

End of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	25,548.75	6,386.35	3,116.09
Resident Taxes	590.00	220.00	220.00
Yield Taxes	1,102.94	556.00	1,043.60
Inventory Penalties			194.39
	<u>142,964.05</u>	<u>21,890.74</u>	<u>14,711.10</u>
	- 96.11_***		
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$142,867.94</u>	<u>21,890.74</u>	<u>14,711.00</u>

*. Includes \$441.65 tax overpayment.

**. Includes \$102.00 reimbursement of legal fees for collection of yield taxes.

***. Refund paid to Ireland Lumber after check for yield tax deposits less refunds was paid by Town to Collector.

SUMMARY OF TAX SALES ACCOUNTS
Fiscal Year Ended December 31, 1985

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	Tax Sales on Account of	Levies of	
	1984	1983	Prior years
Balance of Unredeemed Taxes			
Beginning Fiscal Year*	\$	\$4,124.90	\$5,863.80
Taxes Sold to Town During			
Current Fiscal Year**	8,908.73		
Interest Collected After Sale	95.41	303.02	2,203.65
Redemption Costs			25.95
TOTAL DEBITS	<u>\$ 9,004.14</u>	<u>\$4,427.92</u>	<u>\$8,093.40</u>

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Remittances to Treasurer			
During Year:			
Redemptions	\$1,724.95	\$1,131.54	\$5,616.43
Interest & Costs After Sale	95.41	303.02	2,229.60
Unredeemed Taxes-			
End of Fiscal Year	7,183.78	2,993.36	247.37
TOTAL CREDITS	<u>\$ 9,004.14</u>	<u>\$4,427.92</u>	<u>\$8,093.40</u>

* These sums represent the total of Unredeemed Taxes, as of January 1, 1985 from Tax Sales held in Previous Years.

** Amount of Tax Sale(s) held during current fiscal year, including total amount of taxes, interest and costs to date of sale(s).

RECEIPTS

FROM LOCAL TAXES;

Property Taxes-Current Year - 1985	\$105,248.50
Resident Taxes Current Year - 1985	\$1,190.00
Yield Taxes-Current Year - 1985	\$9,154.54
Property Taxes & Yield Taxes- Previous Years	\$21,773.05
Resident Taxes-Previous Years	\$190.00
Interest received on Delinquent Taxes and Costs	\$4,318.04
Penalties: Resident Taxes	\$22.00
Tax Sales redeemed	\$7,094.98

TOTAL TAXES COLLECTED & REMITTED	\$148,991.11
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INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES: State

State Revenue Sharing	\$22,863.10
Highway Block Grant	\$26,371.80
Reimb. a/c State-Federal Forest Land	\$544.86
Forest Fire Meeting Reimbursement	\$61.08

INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES:Federal

US Rural Rehabilitation Study	\$1,500.00
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TOTAL INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	\$51,340.84
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LICENSES & PERMITS:

Motor Vehicle Permit Fees from Town Clerk	\$11,640.75
Dog Licenses	\$258.32
Business Licenses, Permits & Filing Fees	\$73.00

TOTAL LICENSES & PERMITS	\$11,972.07
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MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES:

Interest on Deposits	\$3,344.10
Sale of Town Property	\$62.00
Insurance Adjustments	\$315.00
Refund NHMA Insurance Development	\$5.70
Overpayment of Taxes	\$441.65
Reimb. Legal Fees For Coll.of Yield Taxes	\$102.00
Planning Board - Subdivision Reg. Copies	\$14.19
Donation from Richard Herold	\$20.00
Current Use Filing Fees	\$9.00

TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES	<hr/>	\$4,313.64
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OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:

Withdrawal from Capital Reserve	\$1,000.00
Revenue Sharing Entitlement Funds	\$6,000.00
Interest - Investments Rev.Sharing Fund (not in General Fund)	\$579.57

TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	<hr/>	\$7,579.57
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NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS:

Proceeds of Tax Anticipation Notes	\$50,000.00
Yield Tax Security Deposits	\$1,857.30

TOTAL NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS	<hr/>	\$51,857.30
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TOTAL RECEIPTS FROM ALL SOURCES	<hr/>	\$276,054.53
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CASH ON HAND JANUARY 1, 1985		\$29,954.97
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GRAND TOTAL GENERAL FUND & INTEREST ON REV. SHARING FUND	<hr/>	\$306,009.50
Less Interest on Revenue Sharing Fund		\$579.57

TOTAL GENERAL FUND	<hr/>	\$305,429.93
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NOTES



PROVIDED FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE

PAYMENTS

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Town Officers Salaries	\$5,916.74
Town Officers Expenses	\$5,331.59
Election & Registration Expenses	\$325.05
General Government Building	\$174.75
NHMA Dues	\$400.00
Planning and Zoning	\$90.84
Legal Expenses	\$475.00
Advertising & Regional Association	\$235.00
Town Clerks Fees	\$466.00
Town Reports	\$374.00
Cemeteries	\$400.00

TOTAL GENERAL EXPENSES		\$14,188.97
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PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	\$1,994.73
Fire Department	\$2,584.43

TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY EXPENSES		\$4,579.16
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HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES & STREETS

Town Maintenance	\$30,740.23
Gen. Highway Dept Exp.	\$19,839.51
Lease Purchase- Backhoe/Loader	\$2,809.65

TOTAL HIGHWAYS & BRIDGES EXPENSES		\$53,389.39
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SANITATION

Solid Waste Disposal (contract with Rumney)	\$4,924.98
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TOTAL SANITATION EXPENSES		\$4,924.98
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HEALTH

Mascoma Home Health Services	\$595.00
Canaan F.A.S.T. Squad	\$450.00

TOTAL HEALTH EXPENSES		\$1,045.00
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WELFARE

Aid to the Disabled	\$2,395.00	
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TOTAL WELFARE EXPENSES		\$2,395.00

CULTURE & RECREATION

Library	\$345.00	
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TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION		\$345.00

DEBT SERVICE

Interest Expense-Tax Anticipation Notes	\$2,524.65	
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TOTAL DEBT SERVICE EXPENSES		\$2,524.65

CAPITAL OUTLAY

Withdrawal-Revenue Sharing-Road Sealing	\$6,000.00	
Withdrawal Capital Reserve Building Fund	\$379.10	
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OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		\$6,379.10

Payments to Capital Reserve Funds		
Snow Removal Equipment	\$1,000.00	
Building	\$1,000.00	
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TOTAL OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT		\$2,000.00

MISCELLANEOUS

Insurance	\$6,436.98	
Rural Rehabilitation Study	\$1,500.00	
Unemployment Compensation	\$150.97	
(includes \$123.04 for 1983 & 1984)		
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TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS EXPENSES		\$8,087.95

UNCLASSIFIED

Payments on Tax Anticipation Notes	\$50,000.00	
Taxes Bought By Town	\$8,908.73	
Discounts, Abatements & Refunds	\$441.65	
Refund & Payments from Yield Tax Escrow Fund	\$3,724.61	
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TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED EXPENSES		\$63,074.99

PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS

Payment to State a/c Dog License Fees	\$37.50
Taxes Paid to County	\$13,049.00
Payments to School District **	\$124,268.42
Tax Sale Fees Paid to Registry of Deeds	\$97.23
TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTAL DIVISIONS	<hr/> \$137,452.15
TOTAL PAYMENTS ALL PURPOSES	<hr/> \$300,386.34
CASH ON HAND DECEMBER 31, 1985	\$5,043.59
GRAND TOTAL	<hr/> \$305,429.93

** 1985 School District tax paid in 1985 \$64,908.42
 1986 School District tax paid in 1985 \$59,360.00

1985 TOWN OFFICER'S SALARIES

Brian A. Howe, Selectman	\$1,000.00
A. John Franz, Selectman	1,000.00
Kenneth W. Thomas, Selectman (Jan. 1 - Mar. 12)	194.54
Carol H. Wilson, Selectman (Mar. 13 - Dec. 30)	802.20
Nella Ashley, Treasurer	600.00
Brenda Howe, Town Clerk	500.00
Brenda Howe, Town Clerk Fees	466.00
Lucille Andrews, Auditor	35.00
Cathy Cote, Auditor	35.00
Mary Morrissey, Welfare Agent	41.00
Alice Melanson, Welfare Agent	59.00
Delbert G. Pratt, Tax Collector	1,500.00
Patricia Franz, Trustee of Trust Funds	50.00
Eunice Bourdelais, Trustee of Trust Funds	50.00
Frances Merrill, Trustee of Trust Funds	50.00
Total Salaries	<hr/> \$5,916.74
Total Fees	466.00
TOTAL SALARIES AND FEES	<hr/> \$6,382.74

1985 TOWN OFFICER'S EXPENSES

Homestead Press - Tax Forms,	\$ 11.95
Mascoma Valley Messenger- Hearing Notice	13.50
New Hampshire Distributing Agency-Surplus Typewriter	30.00
CTS, Inc. Typewriter ribbons and cord	15.85
N. E. Telephone	192.26
Salary, Selectmen's Secretary	2000.00
Expenses, Selectmen's Secretary Reimbursement	
Postage, office supplies, copies	496.36
Carol H. Wilson, Selectmen's Expenses	62.00
A. John Franz, Selectmen's Expenses	336.90
Brenda Howe, Town Clerk's Expenses	107.35
Emerson Gardens- Plant for retiring treasurer	15.95
D. Gene Pratt, Tax Collector's Expenses	77.67
D. Gene Pratt, Tax Collector's Workshop & Expenses	180.40
D. Gene Pratt, Tax Collector's Convention & Copies	303.78
D. Gene Pratt, Tax Collector's Postage , Supplies	79.65
Mountain Media, Inc. Letterheads and Envelopes	89.50
Herbert A. Wilson, Health Officer- Septic Reg. Manual	3.00
Nella H. Ashley, Treasurer's Expenses	35.00
Eunice Bourdelais, Trustee's Expenses	24.80
Patricia Franz, Trustee's Expenses	26.04
Brian A. Howe, Selectman's Expenses and Copies	89.08
Alice Melanson, Welfare Director's Expenses	5.92
Grafton County Registry of Deeds, Copies	6.50
Grafton County Registry of Deeds, recording taxes	61.44
Brown & Saltmarsh Office Supplies	217.18
Alexander Lennox, Moderator's Workshop	15.00
Clay's, Pocket File- Trustees of Trust Fund	4.23
Brian A. Howe, Copies for Town	58.02
New Hampshire Assoc. of Conservation Commissions	
Groundwater Protection Forum	35.00
N. H. Municipal Assoc., Welfare Procedures Manual	7.50
N. H. Assoc. of Assessing Officials 1985 Dues	20.00
N. H. Local Welfare Administrators Assoc. 1985 Dues	15.00
Datown Computer Service Tax lists and bills	437.72
Equity Publishing Corp. New Hampshire R.S.A.Rep Vol	62.50
Equity Publishing Corp. R.S.A. 1985 Interim Pamphlet	16.95
Equity Publishing Corp. R.S.A. 1985 Supplements	71.75
Kenneth W. Thomas Selectman's Expenses (Jan.1-Mar.12)	75.84
N. H. Tax Collector's Assoc. 1985 Dues	15.00
Real Data Inc. '85 Grantor Index	15.00

Total Expenses

\$ 5331.59

1985 ELECTION AND REGISTRATION EXPENSES

Mountain Media - Ballots	\$ 73.25
Mountain Media - Supervisors' Notices	8.80
Marion Delsart, Supervisor of Checklist	42.50
Martha Walker, Supervisor of Checklist	42.50
Margaret Lennox, Supervisor of Checklist	42.50
Arlene Carter, Ballot Clerk	34.00
Frances Merrill, Ballot Clerk	34.00
Alexander Lennox, Moderator	34.00
Mascoma Valley Messenger- Supervisors' Notices	13.50
Total	<hr/> \$ 325.05

REPORT OF ROAD EXPENDITURES

Expenditures- Payroll

George Conkey, Sr., Road Agent	\$ 9750.00
Mark A. Bean	261.50
George Conkey, Jr.	260.26
Michael Conkey	15.75
Gene Sanborn	165.00
Larry H. Walker Sr.	585.00
Payments to IRS	413.40

Total Payroll and IRS Payments	<hr/> \$11,450.91
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Expenditures- Contracted labor, equipment rental and mileage

Adrian General Construction	\$ 300.00
George Conkey Sr.- Mileage and pickup rental	1,097.32
O. J. Bourdelais- Loader, dozer, truck, plowing	10,930.00
Larry H. Walker Trucking - Plowing, pickup	722.00
- Contracted Truck/ Labor	7,300.00
Town of Canaan- Truck & Sander	204.00
Bob's Turkey Farm- Chipper	75.00
Eldon J. Owens- Mower	330.00
William Cote- Plowing	729.00
C. E. Neily- Screen-all, Loader	2025.00
James/Virginia Spread-Truck & Sander	597.00
Brian Howe- Tractor	500.00
Pat Coursey-Pickup Plowing	480.00

Total	<hr/> \$ 25,289.32
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Payments- General Expenses of Highway Department

Buck's Welding & Supply- Repairs to equipment	\$	120.00	
Muzzey's Store - Gasoline		1,551.04	
Yeaton Oil Co. Inc.- Fuel, Tank & Pump		973.23	
Webster Motors- Repairs, parts, supplies		1,705.48	
N. H. Electric Coop.- Service at pit		160.91	
Shortt's Garage- Repairs, gas, parts		347.77	
Town Line Equipment- Oil, Filters		257.72	
Blue Seal Feeds- Plastic cover, (Calcium, Chloride)		176.28	
Larry's Auto Body & Repair- Repair		248.00	
Sanel Auto Parts - Parts, Supplies		466.77	
Dennis P. Edgecomb- Repairs, Truck & Sander		40.00	
TBC Machinery - Starter-Loader & Shipping		205.02	
B-B Chain Co.-Chains		285.00	
Penn Culvert Co.- Culverts, Bands		2,236.39	
Earl H. Charbono- Gravel		126.00	
Stinbrook Co.- Fuel		86.15	
International Salt Co.- Rock Salt		622.24	
R & R Small Engine Repair- Sander repair		100.37	
Kelton Motors- Parts		22.44	
Kibby Equipment- Parts		282.20	
George Conkey Sr.- Reimb. Tile & Cover		75.00	
George Conkey Sr.- Reimb. Truck Seats		50.00	
George Conkey Sr.- Reimb. for electricity		72.00	
George Conkey Sr.- Reimb. Gas		32.00	
C. R. McLoud- Brush Saw Blades		25.00	
Est. of Phyllis B. Ashley- Sandpit lease '85 & '86		250.00	
Est. of Phyllis B. Ashley- sand, gravel, fill		2,367.25	
Hawkensen Enterprises- Parts		34.99	
Campton Sand & Gravel- Cold patch		1,249.56	
A. John Franz-Reimbursement, Plywood for truck		42.70	
Treasurer, State of N.H.- Road Signs		242.03	
Donald M. Jacques Inc.- Tank		100.00	
Cliff Dyer Welding- labor, material, repairs		684.08	
Canaan Hardware- Supplies, Tools		143.68	
Conk's Masonry- Brush Saw		300.00	
All States Asphalt-MC 800 oil for roads		3,879.65	
E. W. Sleeper- Parts, Repairs		278.56	
Total Payments- General Road Expense			\$ 19,839.51
1985 Lease Payments- J. I. Case Loader/Backhoe	\$2,809.65		
Total Lease payments			2,809.65
Total Road Expenditures			\$ 59,389.39

REPORT OF THE ROAD AGENT

We're gaining slowly in improving the roads but the process will take several more years. In 1985 Streeter Road was sealed. To keep it in good condition it should be done again in 1987. Improvements were made in the Cummings Pond Road so that the class V portion could be maintained thru the winter. Six culverts were installed on the North Dorchester Road, Cummings Pond Road, Reber Road and Coal Kiln Road. After several years of neglect all of the class V road shoulders and ditch lines were mowed with a hydraulic mower in the fall.

Several makes and models of loaders and loader/backhoes were used during the summer in an effort to determine the most suitable machine to replace the Town's aged Allis Chalmers tractor. It was decided that a Case 580E four wheel drive loader/backhoe was the most practical. I have utilized the new machine since October and it has performed well. Service from the dealer has been excellent. I only wish we'd had the machine last June.

The 1986 proposed highway projects are as follows:

1. Applying farmer's mix and sealer to portions of the North Dorchester Road.
2. Rebuild the portion of the North Dorchester Road between the Manley residence and Reber Road. This section is in such poor shape it can not be properly patched and sealed.
3. Rebuild the River Road from its northern junction with Rte. 118 to the Groton town line.
4. Removal of stumps and rocks from the road sides to facilitate improved and more efficient snow removal.
5. Regular grading of gravel portions of roads. For this purpose we will need the yolk rake requested in the warrant.
6. Replacement of the wooden bridge on the North Dorchester Road with a large metal culvert.
7. Upgrading several of the culverts on the North Dorchester Road between the Town House and Cummings Pond Road.
8. Improvements to the North Dorchester Road from the Town House to Cummings Pond Road to facilitate plowing this road with the town truck.

Respectfully submitted,
George C. Conkey Sr.
Road Agent

TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS
ANNUAL REPORT 1985

Lucy Hazen Kimball Fund	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	\$ 164.41
Interest 1985	9.30
Expenditures 1985	9.42
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	164.29
Scott Burleigh Fund	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	503.11
Interest 1985	28.52
Expenditures 1985	28.89
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	502.74
Paul Hopkins Hutchinson Fund	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	836.68
Interest 1985	47.46
Expenditures 1985	48.04
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	836.10
John C. Davenport Fund	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	120.25
Interest 1985	6.78
Expenditures 1985	6.87
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	120.16
Joseph and Katherine Grochocki Fund	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	200.00
Interest 1985	11.44
Expenditures 1985	0.00
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	211.44
Town Cemetery Fund	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	1290.76
Interest 1985	73.56
Expenditures 1985	40.76
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	1323.56

Town Building Fund	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	142.45
Interest 1985	38.13
New funds created	1000.00
Expenditures 1985	1000.00
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	180.58
Capital Reserve Fund - Snow Removal Equipment	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	1959.05
Interest 1985	144.64
New funds created	1000.00
Expenditures 1985	00.00
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Balance on hand December 1, 1985	3103.69
Capital Reserve Fund- Snow Removal Equipment (Money Mkt. Acct.)	
Balance on hand December 1, 1984	12054.04
Interest 1985	1039.59
Expenditures 1985	00.00
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Balance on hand December 1, 1984	13093.63

As requested by the Cemetery Committee, the interest accrued in 1984 by all cemetery funds was withdrawn and remitted to the Committee for the purpose of maintenance of Town cemeteries. The amount of \$1,000.00 was deposited in the Town Building Fund and subsequently withdrawn and transferred to the Selectmen for use for repairs to the Town Hall and Library, as mandated by Town vote on Article 6 in March of 1984. The budgeted amount of \$1,000.00 was deposited in the Capital Reserve Fund for Snow Removal Equipment.

Respectfully submitted,
 Patricia E. Franz
 Frances E. Merrill
 Eunice Bourdelais

AUDITORS REPORT

January 19, 1986

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts of the Selectmen, Tax Collector, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Cemeteries, Library and Trustees of the Trust Fund and find them correctly and properly vouched.

Respectfully submitted,
 Lucille E. Andrews
 Cathy L. Cote

**FINANCIAL REPORT
DORCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY 1985**

Receipts 1985

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1985	\$495.80
Received from Selectmen May 7, 1985	150.00
Proceeds from Cheever School Desk Sale	195.00
Donations from R. W. Thayer	100.00
Interest from Checking Account	<u>27.77</u>

Total Receipts for 1985	\$968.57
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Expenditures 1985

The Concord Group (Insurance) 1 Year	50.00
Book Purchases	150.00
Book Purchases & Supplies	264.00
Magazine Subscriptions	90.87
Supplies	64.76
Donation to Michael Conkey	<u>21.00</u>

Total Expenditures 1985	<u>640.63</u>
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Balance on hand Dec. 31, 1985	\$327.94
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Respectfully submitted,
Mary Carroll Abell
Treasurer

DORCHESTER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

The Library held hours this year similar to last (bi-monthly in winter months and weekly in better weather) with the exception it was necessary to close the Library indefinitely beginning mid-November to prepare for and complete additional shelving and renovations. Hopefully these tasks will be completed by spring when the re-opening will be announced. The State Bookmobile van continues to arrive monthly at Campers Rest (the date of each visit being posted inside the store).

We were fortunate this year to have a more efficient heating system installed in the building (donated by John Franz and installed with the help of Jean Belair, Gene Pratt, Hank Melanson and Brian Howe). Our thanks to all of them. We also would like to thank Jean Belair, Gene Pratt and Robert Thayer who are working on our shelving needs and renovations.

New drapes were purchased for the entire building by the Friends of the Library and should provide an attractive atmosphere for the re-opening in the spring. A book cart was purchased by the Friends and Marilyn Pratt donated a carpet sweeper. Donations of books were also received by several members of the community. As in the past we are always grateful for any donations of money or materials made by community members in helping us build a better library.

Through the generous donation last year from Bordy and Eunice Bourdelais we were able to purchase the "Questron" system (electronic wands and books) which is a new learning concept which promotes reading and learning in an interesting manner.

This fall several trips were made to various bookstores where we purchased a number of new books on a variety of subjects for all age groups. The Friends of the Library are currently cataloging these new materials so they will be available for borrowing when we re-open. This year we also purchased several used but "like new" books from flea markets, rummage and yard sales, etc.

We ordered the 1984 and 1985 annuals for our 1982 World Book Encyclopedia to update the set, said books and bill for same to arrive in February, the current price per volume being \$20.95. We will also purchase the 1986 annual when same is released.

We are requesting support from the Town for the Library in the sum of \$200.00 for 1986, a \$50.00 increase over last year. The \$200.00 request should cover our basic operating expenses based on current costs: Insurance \$50.00, Magazine renewals \$96.00, 1986 encyclopedia annual \$21.00 and an estimated \$30.00 for supplies and postage.

From the current balance in the Library account, the Library expects to pay for the 1984 and 1985 annuals, shelving costs, new reading material and whatever needs arise at the Library during the year.

We both resigned our positions as Co-Librarians by the end of 1985. Marima Belair is our new Librarian and we are continuing to assist Marima in support of our Library.

Marilyn Pratt
Mary Morrissey
Co-Librarians

**DORCHESTER CEMETERY COMMITTEE
FINANCIAL REPORT**

Balance on Hand Jan. 1, 1985	\$ 40.20
Received from Selectmen-appropriation	400.00
Received from Trust Funds:	
John Davenport Fund	6.87
Paul Hopkins Hutchinson Fund	48.04
Scott D. Burley Fund	28.89
Sanborn Blaisdell Fund	9.42
Cemetery Fund	40.76
Donations	50.00
Lot Purchase	75.00
Donation- Isaac Burnham	20.00
Total Receipts	
\$719.18	

Expenditures:

Care of Cemeteries:	
North Dorchester Cemetery	\$224.00
Cheever Cemetery	124.00
Town House Cemetery	95.00
Dorchester Cemetery	98.00
See-it-all Cemetery	7.00
Bank Charges	<u>12.58</u>

Total Expenses	<u>\$560.58</u>
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Balance on Hand Dec. 31, 1985	\$158.60
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Respectfully submitted
Mary Carroll Abell
Treasurer

ANNUAL POLICE REPORT

This past year has seen the number of break-ins drop drastically which is good news with the number of summer and vacant residences in the town. This year has unfortunately seen a drastic rise in complaints involving dogs and speeding vehicles.

I want to stress the importance of keeping dogs restrained at home with collars and licenses. This makes it easier in determining ownership when a dog turns up lost or missing for a period of time.

Many residents have expressed concerns over the speed at which vehicles have been traveling on Route 118 in particular as well as on some of the back roads in town. Speeding is a very difficult violation to prove without an accurate recording device such as moving or stationery radar. I firmly believe that with a couple of hours a week and an instrument of this nature, we can cut down on the number of speeders on our roads and highways.

I wish to thank all the town residents for their support and help during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph L. Gove
Chief of Police

REPORT OF THE PLANNING BOARD

With no major subdivision in 1985 the planning board was able to concentrate their efforts on the survey for the masterplan changes. At this time we are compiling the results of this survey in order that they may be incorporated into a new revised master plan during the year 1986. The planning board will continue to meet the second Monday of each month during 1986.

Kenneth W. Thomas
Chairman, Planning Board

REPORT OF THE TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND STATE FOREST RANGER

Between July 1984 and June 1985, we experienced more forest fires throughout our state than in any year in the last 50. Two of the leading causes of the 1,605 fires were children and fires kindled without written permission of a Forest Fire Warden. Both causes are preventable, but only with your help.

Please help our town and state forest fire officials with forest fire prevention. Contact your Forest Fire Warden for more information.

Enforcement of state timber harvest regulations is the responsibility of State Forestry officials. Our state has excellent timber harvest regulations; however, your assistance is needed.

If you know of a logging operation and suspect a state timber harvest law may be violated, call your Forest Fire Warden.

If you own forest land, you will become responsible for the timber tax payment starting April 1, 1986. This is a change in the Timber Tax Law that will impact all forest landowners. Contact your Board of Selectmen for timber tax forms.

1985 STATISTICS

	State	District	City/Town
No. of Fires	1,605	43	0
No. of Acres	1,580	27.4	0
Forest Ranger			Forest Fire Warden
John Q. Ricard			Kenneth L. Hall

HEALTH OFFICER REPORT

There's been very little call for activity by the Dorchester Health Officer this year. The reporting of communicable diseases is normally handled by individual doctors, and the Mascoma Home Health Service has been very active in furnishing care and therapy to residents of Dorchester.

Inspections of Septic Systems 2
(In conjunction with State)

Herbert A. Wilson
Health Officer

SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL REPORT

The Town of Dorchester is a voting member of the Pemi Baker Solid Waste Disposal Committee. There have been many suggestions and ideas during the past year for a more efficient method of trash disposal. At this time due to the failure of 5 of the 11 member towns to pass a warrant article establishing a committee under RSA 53-B we have continued for one more year studying the trash disposal problem. There are many viable solutions presently being discussed that could reduce the cost to the Rumney-Dorchester Transfer station in the future.

Kenneth W. Thomas
Dorchester Representative
Pemi Baker Solid Waste
Disposal Committee

TRUCK STUDY COMMITTEE REPORT

As requested of the selectmen at the 1985 Dorchester Town Meeting, a committee was formed to review the Town's Truck needs and make a recommendation, which is as follows.

1. Due to the present apparent good condition of the town truck, and the high cost of a new larger truck, it is recommended that we use the present truck for another year, and then evaluate the necessity of a new unit.
2. In reviewing the town's expenses of hiring vs. owning a small (1 ton) truck, the payback of owning, operating, and maintaining a small dump truck is not economical at this time. Continuing hiring as necessary is the recommendation.
3. For summer use, trucks can be hired as necessary for longer distance trucking of items such as road building materials.
4. In summary, continue present operations without any change of truck equipment.

A full report of considerations and factors in determining this recommendation has been submitted to the selectmen.

David Morrill, Chairman
Herbert A. Wilson

MASCOMA HOME HEALTH SERVICES

Mascoma Home Health Services, Inc. with this year starts its 18th year of service to the Mascoma Valley towns of Canaan, Enfield, Grafton, Dorchester, and Orange.

The agency is a not-for-profit corporation certified by Medicare. It is supported by grants from the five towns, the Division of Human Services, the New Hampshire State Council on Aging, the United Way, private donations and memorials. Each town has at least one representative on the Board of Directors, so has a voice in setting the policies of the agency.

Since services are funded in part by the towns that are served, home care services such as visiting nurse, physical therapist, home health aide, homemaker, occupational therapist, social worker are available to residents of that town. Participation also allows for disease prevention programs, well child clinics, dental clinics, blood pressure screenings.

The agency employs a Pediatric Nurse Practitioner to serve young families as well as children with special needs. A newborn visit is made by the Child Health nurse if new parents desire it. Young mothers' support groups meet regularly to assist parents with family management.

One of our special concerns is caring for the elderly, disabled, and chronically ill so that they may stay in their own homes or with family as long as possible. Beside the home care services, an Adult Day Activity Program is offered.

Anyone can request services - you need not wait for your doctor to refer. A nurse or therapist will make an evaluation visit to determine if services can be helpful. Further visits will be made under physician's orders.

The office and clinic space of the agency is located on Prospect Street in Enfield. The phone number is 632-7234. We are always happy to answer questions by phone, or if you would care to stop at the office, we will show you the facility and tell you more about the work we do.

We are your community health care provider - we truly like to work with you in every way possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet G Knight
Executive Director.

HOME HEALTH VISITS FOR 1985 FOR DORCHESTER

Skilled Nursing	43	Patricia Franz
Physical Therapy	11	Dorchester Board Member
Home Health Aide	21	
Homemaker	3	
Social Service	6	

Well Child Clinic - children enrolled 8
Blood Pressure Screening Clinics - all towns - 544

UPPER VALLEY- LAKE SUNAPEE COUNCIL

The Upper Valley- Lake Sunapee Council is a public, nonprofit voluntary association of town and cities in the Upper Valley and Lake Sunapee areas. Our thirty-one (31) communities are in two states and five counties.

The Council consists of a Board of Directors and a professional staff. Each town or city annually appropriates funds for the Council's operation and sends two representatives to participate on the Board of Directors. The Board elects officers, adopts the annual work program and budget, and develops policies and positions on issues that are important to UV-LSC communities.

The Upper Valley - Lake Sunapee Council is the official organization that brings towns and cities within our region together. By bonding together and pooling their resources, local governments have a highly trained, professional staff available to them for a wide variety of services. Areas of expertise include land use planning, master planning, economic and community development, water quality management, transportation, landscape architecture, housing, capital budgeting, historic preservation, downtown revitalization, solid waste planning, recreation and fiscal and environmental impact analysis. The Council also serves as a collective voices for these towns and cities in dealing with state and federal governments, thereby protecting and furthering the needs and interest of our communities.

Council Staff members include Robert Varney, Executive Director; Vicki Smith, Senior Planner; Lisa Mausolf, Historic Preservation Specialist; Gregg Lantos, Transportation Planner; Tad Redway, Landscape Architect and Planner; Melinda Artman, Community Development Specialist; Jim Klinger, Draftsman; and Adrea Adams, Joan Austin, and Lori Brown, Secretaries. These staff members offer a wide range of expertise available to our communities.

The Council has been busy working on a variety of regional programs during the past year. The following is a brief summary of some of our regional activities:

- o provided administrative and planning services to the Upper Valley Solid Waste District, a bi-state district with 15 member communities;
- o developed regional septage management plans which will become components of the solid waste plans for the Sullivan County, Upper Valley and Pemi-Baker Solid Waste Districts;
- o provided continuing assistance to the regional transit operators, and worked closely with the State Highway Department to develop a comprehensive highway planning program;
- o continued the regional historic preservation program, including historic survey, national register nominations and historic preservation plans;
- o continued the Sullivan County Economic Development Program to retain and expand employment opportunities in Sullivan County;
- o continued work on the Lake Sunapee Management Plan,
- o co-sponsored another successful Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day, organizations, banks, real estate firms and consultant, for use in fiscal studies, market analyses and grant applications.

As requested by communities, the Council prepared applications for state and federal funds, evaluated development proposals, prepared amendments to local zoning, subdivision, site plan review and other local regulations and provided mapping, drafting and other planning assistance.

The UV-LSC has also provided a number of specific services to the Town of Dorchester over the past year including assisting the Planning Board in preparation of their Master Plan, especially in the preparation, printing and distribution of the community attitudes survey, We have also completed and Existing Land Use Map of the Town, reviewed the Town's Subdivision Regulations and completed a Housing Rehabilitation Strategy for the Town including a map of Town wide housing units. The housing study was funded by a Feasibility Grant written by the UV-LSC.

The Council's staff of professionals stands ready to assist your community in addressing the planning and growth management issues which you will face during the coming year. We also encourage you to become more familiar and involved with the Council, since we are essentially an arm of local government addressing your needs.

GRAFTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' REPORT

We appreciate the opportunity to submit the following report in our continuing effort to directly communicate with our constituents.

Because of current favorable cash status and appreciable fund balance, Grafton County maintained a level tax requirement this fiscal year, actually reducing the tax requirement by \$200, and we anticipate an even better tax climate in the next fiscal year. However, due to the apportionment process of tax assessment by equalized valuation, some towns did see a slight increase in the county portion of taxes for 1985, though the majority of towns realized a decrease. The unusual fund balance is due to a combination of factors, including unused surplus in the previous budget, conscientious budget management by all departments, transfer of court expenses to the State, increased Nursing Home reimbursements, favorable returns on investments, increased Register of Deeds revenues and continued Revenue Sharing.

Along with saving the County approximately \$300,000 in expenditures with the shift of liability for court activities to the State, we also anticipate receiving \$100,000+ annually in rent on space occupied by the court system.

Grafton County is experiencing the same problems as your local government in the insurance market. Costs are rising dramatically & in some cases insurance coverage is unobtainable. We have retained a consultant to review county insurance needs & available coverage with hopes of procuring one total package. Because of the current unstable insurance market, we do not yet have any report or recommendations.

In cooperation with your local government and the State, we are striving for a smooth transition to the new system of welfare service delivery under Senate Bill 1. Settlement for assistance determination has been eliminated & towns & cities are now liable for all general assistance to needy persons in their towns, including transients. However, liability for expenses of all juvenile services & for person assisted under the categorical grant programs will now be shared by the State and counties, removing town liability. Under Senate Bill 1 & the ensuing partnership between counties and the state Dept. of Children & Youth Services, the Commissioners note a new direction for juveniles, including the development of new alternative programs to out of home placements.

Energy conservation programs at the nursing home and courthouse have realized a considerable saving with the decrease in fuel & electric consumption, cutting consumption & dollar cost in half for courthouse fuel alone.

In our letter to you in 1983 we noted litigation in a retirement buyback suit where a negative decision would result in cost of \$70,000 plus legal fees with a potential domino effect on local governments. We are pleased to note that the County prevailed in this issue.

The Commissioners have changed weekly meeting to Wednesdays. We encourage public attendance at all meetings. The county budget recommendations are processed in May & June. We welcome input and strongly recommend public attendance at the public hearings usually held in June.

Grafton County Commissioners:
Dorothy Campion-Corcoran
Arthur E. Snell
Leonard F. Anderson

BIRTHS - TOWN OF DORCHESTER - 1985

Date & Place of Birth	Name of Child	Sex	Name of Mother	Name of Father	Birthplace of Mother	Birthplace of Father
06-24-85 Hanover	Emily Ann Thomas	F	Cynthia Ann Bertrand	Kenneth Wesley Thomas	N.Y.	Mass.
12-18-85 Hanover	Matthew Kenneth Howe	M	Brenda Alice De Long	Brian Alan Howe	Mass.	N. H.

MARRIAGES - TOWN OF DORCHESTER - 1985

Date and Place	Groom and Bride	Residence	Name of Parents
06-15-85 Dorchester	Roger B. Bean	Dorchester, N.H.	Bertram Bean Agnes Gillmette
	Olga T. Aguirre	Dorchester, N.H.	Joe I. Valencia Mary S. Salcido
08-17-85 Dorchester	Robert W. Coutu	Dorchester, N.H.	Richard A. Coutu Sally Bruce
	Catherine L. Bailey	Dorchester, N.H.	Thomas G. Bailey Lucille Noddin

DEATHS - TOWN OF DORCHESTER - 1985

Date	Place of Death	Name	Age	Father's Name	Mother's Name
09-28-85	Hanover	Malcolm Merrill	76	Wilbur Merrill	Helen Dunbar

